

# A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 15th September 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin this week's newsletter by thanking the whole school community for the lovely welcome which I have received over the last two weeks. It has been wonderful to meet so many of you and I look forward to the coming years at Woodside. The school is in a fantastic position, and I am confident that we can work together to make it an even better place for your children to learn.

It has been a very busy start to the school year, and I have really enjoyed visiting different classes and assemblies to meet all of the children. They have been lucky enough to be able to use the school field over the first two weeks and to make full use of our lovely school site. The outdoor classroom was a very popular place during some of the hottest days!

I am delighted to announce that Woodside Junior School earned the Gold School Games Mark based upon the school's work in 2022/23. These are very challenging awards to achieve and are based upon our commitment and engagement in the School Games programme over the year. Well done to Mrs Tandara, our PE lead, and all the school staff for supporting our children with these events.

I am also delighted to welcome Mrs Mead to a new role at the school. Mrs Mead has been appointed as our new Family Liaison Officer (FLO). This role involves acting as a point of contact for families who may require support from the school and working with families to help improve attendance. Mrs Mead will be available to meet any parent who wishes to find out more about the role or who need signposting to any support.

Each half term at Woodside, our assemblies focus on one of the school's values. This term, we are looking at 'Responsible' and what it means to be responsible. Our Monday morning assemblies will revolve around this theme, and you may see that many of the Friday certificates also link to this theme.

I hope that everybody has started the year well and look forward to meeting many more of you in the coming weeks.

Best wishes,

Mr Lloyd

Headteacher

## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
W/B 11/09	After School sports clubs re-commence
23.9.23	Cross Country event @ Gayhurst Park
26.09.23	Year 3 trip to the Elgiva Theatre
27.09.23	Individual and sibling photos
04.10.23	Open Classroom for Parents 3.20pm-4pm
06.10.23	Open Morning from 9.30am
09.10.23	Year 6 trip to the Natural History Museum
10.10.23	Year 4 and Year 6 Cross Country Amersham
12.10.23	Flu Vaccinations
13.10.23	Year 5 Ultimate Frisbee @ DCHS
17.10.23	Parents Evening 1
18.10.23	Harvest Assembly to Year 3 Parents
19.10.23	Parents Evening 2
20.10.23	Last day of first half term (Autumn) School finish @ 3.15pm
30.10.23	First day back to school for second half of Autumn term
30.10.12	School Nurse Team for year 6
11.11.23	Cross Country event
14.11.23	Year 4 Ancient Greek Day

[Click here for the calendar of 23/24 Term Dates](#)

Huge congratulations to Neev in Year 4 for his Cricket Trophy and Medal

## House Point Totals

This Term				
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

House points will start from W/B 25/09/2023



YOUR  
SCHOOL  
LOTTERY

**SUPPORT  
OUR LOTTERY  
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**£1 per  
week**

**Weekly  
cash prizes**

**£25,000  
jackpot**



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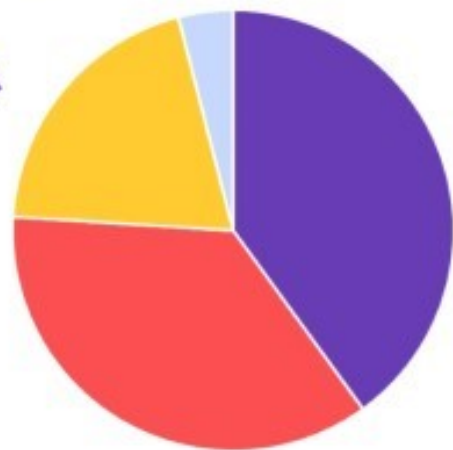
## How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Woodside Junior School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online at [YourSchoolLottery.co.uk](http://YourSchoolLottery.co.uk) by direct debit or debit card.

**It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Woodside Junior School**



- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

**The Maths...** 100 tickets sold a week means  
= **£30** weekly cash prize  
= **£2,080** a year for our school



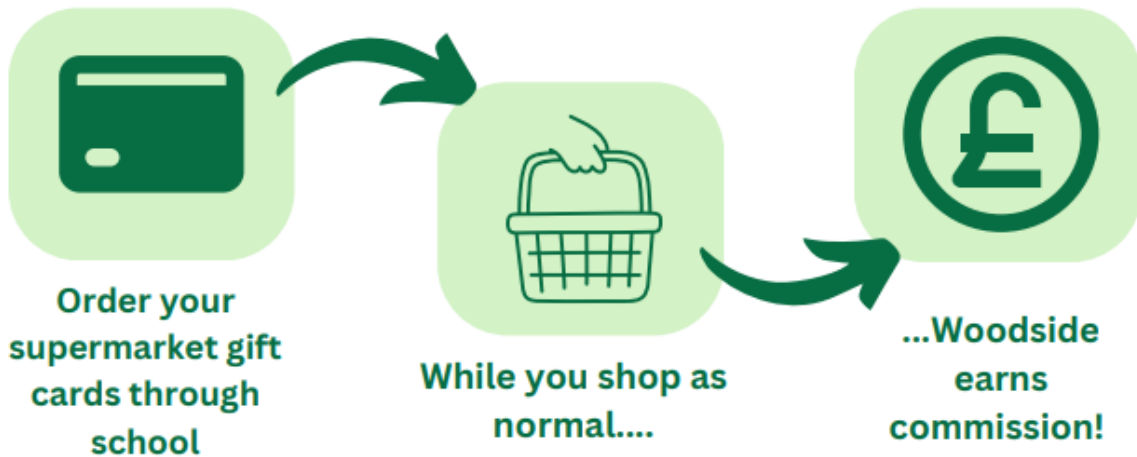
To start supporting, visit:  
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and search for: **Woodside**



# Shop for Woodside

Raise money for the school on your weekly shop

Join the Woodside Voucher Scheme and earn money for the school when you shop at Tesco and Sainsbury's (in-store) and John Lewis and Waitrose (online and in-store).



Order your reloadable gift card(s) and set up a one-off or regular payment. All the money you load onto your card is yours to spend - and the shops pay Woodside 4% commission

For every £100 you spend at Tesco, Woodside earns £4. Last year we raised £626 through the voucher scheme but we have the potential to earn thousands!

We are looking for more parents, carers and grandparents to sign up. The process is quick and simple and a great way to raise funds for the PTA

Email Kate at [woodside.voucher@gmail.com](mailto:woodside.voucher@gmail.com) for further information